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Dear Josh,

during one of our trips to either Ming or the Paris Theatre, there was a discussion on the potential toxicity of toluene. I argued that it was toxic while you maintained that it was almost harmless and I promised to send you some material from Pavia where I knew that there was a study under way on the toxicity of this and similar solvents. Enclosed, please, find a few reprints that demonstrate that you were right, as usual. Apparently, they found only a toxic effect on chick embryo cells while there was no sign of an intoxication in humans.

We are dusting the red carpet for your arrival.

Ciao

Lea